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SUMMARY OF POLICY FOR THE USE OF TALENT MATERIAL

The directive of 16 August 1956, establishing the UAB, gives its mission as "stimulating the Agencies participating in the TALENT Control System to exploit the AQUATONE product to the optimum benefit for intelligence production without directly citing the source or the raw information produced by the source."

The directive also states: "The Board...should be guided but not necessarily limited by the principles and procedures for the utilization of photography and COMINT as recommended by the Ad Hoc Requirements Committee for Project AQUATONE and approved by CIA."

The principles and procedures mentioned above were dated 22 May 1956 and contained the following statements of basic policy:

"a. the materials will never be disseminated or utilized outside of the Control System in their original state except in unusual cases where specific authorization is granted by the DCI or in cases as provided in the TALENT Control Manual."

"b. The process for extracting information from the original materials for use outside the Control System must be done in such a way as to leave no evidence or indication of its origin."

It was specified that exploitation would be accomplished to the maximum degree at the Washington level, and the following procedures were also specified:

"a. Information may be studied within the TALENT System by cleared key

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